



Annual Internal Review

This report covers the time period of 1/1/2014 to 12/31/2014

Parks & Recreation Board

The Board/Commission mission statement is:

The purpose of the board is to advise the city council and the city manager regarding:

1. the acquisition, development, improvement, equipment and maintenance of city parks and public playgrounds;
2. the future development of city parks, playgrounds, and recreational facilities, and the purchase of additional land for those purposes; and
3. improvement in the maintenance, operation, and general welfare of the city's parks, playgrounds, and recreational facilities and their use by the public.

The board shall outline a general plan of development for new parks and playgrounds, including landscaping, roads, trails, buildings and equipment. The board shall submit the plan to the Planning Commission and the city manager for detail development, and the city manager shall then submit the plan to the city council for approval.

The board shall promote close cooperation between the City and all private citizens, institutions. And agencies interested in or conducting recreational activities, so that all recreational resources within the City may be coordinated to secure the greatest public welfare.

1. Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.

- Took action to recommend to City Council and/or Director enhancements, additions, and deletions to **Parks and Recreation Department programs and planning**, including:
 - Acquisition of 4700 Winnebago as parkland
 - Approval of a long term loan of an outdoor art piece titled "Dayton" on parkland
 - Naming of parkland at 3000 Del Curto Rd
 - Naming of baseball fields at Dove Springs District Park, 5801 Ainez Drive
 - Approval of the Republic Square Master Plan
 - Approval of the Butler Trail at the Southeast Shore Park Master Plan
 - Approval of the Bicycle Master Plan Update
 - Naming of the Austin BMX and Skate Park at 1213 Shoal Creek Blvd
 - Use of City property located at 401 W. St. John's, allowing for inclusion of the University Hills Optimists

- Approval of the Urban Trails Master Plan.
- Approval of the Ponciana Neighborhood Park Master Plan.
- Naming of the Rosewood Recreation Center
- Approval of the Colony District Park Master Plan
- Renaming of the Auditorium Shores East Lawn
- Approval of the Pease District Park Master Plan
- Amendment to City Code Chapter 8-5-49 related to swimming in Barton Creek
- Proposed Parkland Dedication fee adjustment
- Renaming of parkland located at 200 Zilker Clubhouse Road
- Renaming of parkland located at 200 S. Lamar
- Recommended to City Council and/or Director approval of **contracts and/or concessions on City parkland** designed to serve citizens using the parks:
 - Approval to negotiate and execute a license agreement between the City of Austin and Girl Scouts of Central Texas for the use of Zilker Cabin.
 - Approval to award, negotiate, and execute a contract with Amatererra Environmental, Inc. to provide cemetery consulting services to develop a cemetery Master Plan.
 - Approval to negotiate and execute a Parkland Improvement Agreement between PARD and the Austin Parks Foundation regarding the execution of final Design, Construction, and Management of Republic Square Park.
 - Approval of a consent agreement by and among the City of Austin, Texas, Onion Creek Metro Park District, and the Austin Goodnight Ranch LP.
 - Recommend to the Director to competitively solicit proposals for the Butler Pitch and Putt and Barton Springs Food and Beverage concessions.
 - Approval to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District for the Ace Reading Tutoring Intervention Program.
 - Approval of the final five year extension available on the concession contract with Lee Kinser for operations at the Butler Pitch and Putt concession.
 - Approval of the finance, design, development, management and operation of a municipal golf course at Walter E. Long Metropolitan Park.
 - Approval to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District for use of Butler Fields.
 - Approval to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and the Austin Independent School District for the use of Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center for the implementation of targeted strategies of the curriculum and training developed by Nuestro Grupo.
 - Approval to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Austin Parks Foundation and the Downtown Austin Alliance for final design, construction, operation and management of Republic Square.
- Recommended granting **temporary and/or permanent easements** making repairs or enhancements to City utilities or improving City property adjacent to city parkland through Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) funding:
 - Authorize the Permanent Use (1,406 sq. ft.) and Temporary Use (1,269 sq. ft.), not to exceed 3 Calendar Days on parkland located at 900 Barton Springs Rd, with a mitigation value of \$17,288.06.

- Authorize the Permanent Use (23,183 sq. ft.) and Temporary Use (21,168 sq. ft.), not to exceed 365 Calendar Days on parkland located at 1300 W. Cesar Chavez (Lamar Beach Metro Park), with a total mitigation value of \$1,451,667.
- Authorize the Permanent Use (3,6sq. ft.) and Temporary Use (1,576 sq. ft.), not to exceed 120 Calendar Days on parkland located at 2715 Lynnbrook Drive, (Bauerle Ranch), with a mitigation value of \$12,756.12.
- Authorize the Permanent Use (4,865 sq. ft.) and Temporary Use (15,943 sq. ft.), not to exceed 60 Calendar Days on parkland located at 5100 E. 51st (Little Walnut Creek District Park), with a mitigation value of \$32,742.79.
- Authorize the Permanent Use (16,397 sq. ft.) and Temporary Use (17,992 sq. ft.) of parkland located at 7400 Loyola Ln (Colony District Park), with a mitigation value of \$19,245.12.
- Authorize the Temporary Use (4,284 sq. ft.) of parkland located at 207 S. Pleasant Valley Road (Kreig Softball Fields), not to exceed 180-365 Calendar Days on parkland.

2. Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.

The Parks and Recreation Board's actions have supported the Board's purpose and duties by reviewing items brought before it and advising the City Council and/or Director regarding its findings.

3. List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

- Recommend dedication of parkland for the property on which the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center rests, located at 600 River Street.
- Explore dedication of 58 and 64 Rainey Street as parkland.

4. Special Accomplishments

- June 24, 2014 – Adopted an amendment to the Board Bylaws to create the Concessions and Contracts Committee, and allow the Board Chair to serve as an ex-officio member of the Land, Facilities, and Programs Committee and the Concessions and Contracts Committee
- December 9, 2014 – Created the Holly Shores Master Plan Implementation Working Group.